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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE:

APPLICATION OF : David E. Patterson and Richard D. Cramer
TITLE : A Further Method Of Creating And Rapidly
Searching A Virtual Library Of Potential
Molecules Using Validated Molecular Structural
Descriptors
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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a 3 month extension of time from December 2, 2003 to March 2, 2004 to file a Response to the Office Action dated September 2, 2003 setting a shortened statutory period of three months. A check in the amount of \$475.00 for the three month extension fee is attached.

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Respectfully submitted,

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